

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Call to Order:** Chair Kerry White, on January 4, 2017 at 3:00 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Kerry White, Chair (R)  
Rep. Zach Brown, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Theresa Manzella, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Bob Brown (R)  
Rep. Virginia Court (D)  
Rep. Willis Curdy (D)  
Rep. Ross H. Fitzgerald (R)  
Rep. John Fleming (D)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn (R)  
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)  
Rep. Steve Gunderson (R)  
Rep. Dale Mortensen (R)  
Rep. Mark Noland (R)  
Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lexi Goble, Committee Secretary  
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:** Organizational meeting

**Introductions:**

00:02:52 Vice Chair Manzella  
 00:03:59 Vice Chair Z. Brown  
 00:05:21 Rep. Noland  
 00:06:47 Rep. Curdy  
 00:07:51 Rep. Galt  
 00:08:13 Rep. Abbott  
 00:08:52 Rep. Gunderson  
 00:10:08 Rep. Fitzgerald  
 00:11:40 Rep. Fleming  
 00:12:35 Rep. Flynn  
 00:13:54 Rep. Court  
 00:15:16 Rep. Z. Brown  
 00:16:26 Rep. Windy Boy  
 00:17:18 Rep. Mortensen  
 00:18:34 Chair White

**Introduction to Staff:**

00:21:58 Lexi Goble, Committee Secretary  
 00:22:51 Joe Kolman, Legislative Services Division (LSD)

**Rules of Procedure:**

00:24:22 Chair White  
 00:33:05 Vice Chair Manzella  
 00:33:13 Chair White  
 00:33:16 Vice Chair Z. Brown

00:33:24 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Z. Brown moved **TO ALLOW THE USE OF PROXIES.**  
 Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:33:42 Chair White

00:36:04 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Manzella moved that **COMMITTEE RULES BE ADOPTED.**  
 Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:36:53 Chair White

**Department of Environmental Quality:**

00:44:09 Tom Livers, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)  
 00:53:40 Vice Chair Manzella left the meeting  
 00:53:45 Rep. Noland left the meeting  
 00:56:54 Chair White  
 00:57:23 Rep. Windy Boy  
 00:58:01 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 00:59:21 Rep. Windy Boy  
 00:59:36 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 00:59:54 Chair White  
 00:59:57 Rep. Gunderson  
 01:00:13 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 01:00:21 Chair White

01:00:43 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 01:01:15 Jenny Chambers, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)  
 01:02:44 Chair White  
 01:03:03 Jenny Chambers, DEQ  
 01:04:47 Chair White  
 01:05:59 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 01:07:28 Chair White  
 01:07:38 Tom Livers, DEQ  
 01:07:58 Chair White

**Overview of Interim Activity Related to Natural Resources:**

01:09:25 Joe Kolman, LSD  
 01:16:07 Chair White  
 01:16:14 Joe Kolman, LSD  
 01:16:50 Rep. Windy Boy  
 01:17:13 Chair White  
 01:17:43 Rep. Court  
 01:19:56 Chair White  
 01:20:04 Rep. Court  
 01:20:59 Chair White  
 01:22:18 Rep. Curdy  
 01:23:25 Chair White  
 01:24:55 Jeff Tiberi, MT Association of Conservation Districts, (MACD)  
 01:27:41 Chair White

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 01:29:53

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Lexi Goble, Secretary

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**EXHIBIT**([nah03aad.pdf](#))